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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:)
ANANDA, Mohan)
Serial No.: 09/163,993)
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Title: ON-LINE POSTAGE SYSTEM)

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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 82-238 in the present application.

1. (ONCE AMENDED) A secure on-line printing method, comprising:
establishing a communication link between a first computer and a second computer;
executing a client software on said first computer, wherein said client software initiates a continuous communication link between said first computer and said second computer;
terminating said client software when said communication link is not continuous;